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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 24, 2005 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the period of response two months, up to, and including March 24, 2005, along with the necessary fee. Please charge the necessary extension fee as well as any additional fees required in connection with the papers transmitted herewith to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference No. 203284/1230.

**Amendments to the Claims** are shown in the "Listing of the Claims" which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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